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SUBJECT: EXPO '74 WORLD FAIR: VISIT OF PRESIDENT COLE

1. PRESIDENT COLE AND EMBOFF CALLED ON SINGAPORE TOURIST PROMOTION BOARD (STPB) CHAIRMAN, RUNME SHAW ON NOV. 17. PRESIDENT COLE GAVE EXCELLENT PRESENTATION CITING ADVANTAGES TO SINGAPORE OF PARTICIPATION IN EXPO. HE THEN EXPLAINED TO SHAW HOW SINGAPORE STILL HAD AMPLE TIME TO MOUNT FIRST-CLASS EXHIBITION. LACK OF TIME HAD BEEN MAJOR REASON FOR SINGAPORE DECISION NOT TO PARTICIPATE. PRESIDENT COLE BY EXPLAINING THAT PAVILIONS WERE ALREADY COMPLETED, THAT EXPO CORPORATION COULD PROVIDE SUBSTANTIAL HELP IN PREPARATION OF EXHIBIT, AND THAT MANY OTHER COUNTRIES HAVE ONLY NOW DECIDED TO PARTICIPATE, MADE POSITIVE IMPACT ON SHAW, WHO WAS UNDER IMPRESSION STPB WOULD HAVE TO CONSTRUCT PAVILIONS THEMSELVES.
2. SHAW IMPLIED THAT HE WOULD AGAIN RAISE MATTERS BEFORE BOARD. HE STILL HELD THAT SINCE DECISION

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ALREADY MADE, REVERSAL OF DECISION WOULD BE DIFFICULT;

HOWEVER, THERE IS AGAIN CHANCE THAT GOS WILL PARTICIPATE.
EMBASSY WILL REPORT RESULTS OF RECONSIDERATION BY
GOS ASAP.

3. PRESIDENT COLE'S ONWARD ITINERARY FOLLOWS SEPTTEL.
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